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SAM C. MAJOR A VISITOR.

Candidate for Congress Spent Last Night Here. Spoke in Front of Court House.

Sam C. Major of Fayette, Howard county, candidate for congress to succeed C. W. Hamlin, the present incumbent, spent Wednesday night in this city and spoke to the faithful in front of the court house, Mr. Major was very hoarse from speaking two or three times a day for the past ten days, yet his voice was good enough to carry the plain truths of his case to those who assembled.

Mr. Major's remarks were principally in answer to the pamphlets circulated by Mr. Hamlin under another Congressman's frank. Mr. Hamlin's platform—"twelve years in, and I want it some more," Mr. Hamlin's argument when he defeated Judge Cooney—"Six years is long enough for any one man to hold the job," and Mr. Hamlin's claim that, "he is the only experienced statesman in the Seventh district, and to make a change at this time would be the height of folly."

He further reviewed the formation of the district and the vote of each county, setting forth in unanswerable logic, the justice of Howard county's right to expect recognition when she furnishes the majority which makes possible a Democrat congressman from this district; his own experience as compared to Mr. Hamlin when he first asked for the honor—Mr. Hamlin had been city attorney of Bolivar, Mo., and member of the Springfield Board of Education for six years. Mr. Major has served Howard County six years as prosecuting attorney and four years in the State Senate. In conclusion he stated that he was a Democrat first, last and all the time, and no matter what his fortunes were in this race he would be found working for the success of the ticket in November.

For more than thirty years Howard county has been piling up Democratic majorities that this district might be represented by a Democrat. She is now asking that this honor be given to her, to a favorite son, Sam C. Major, whose accomplishments befitting this office are undeniable.

EZRA MEEKER

PASSES THROUGH

The Pioneer of the Oregon Trail Making Third Trip From Coast to Coast.

Ezra Meeker, who passed through here six years ago driving an ox team hitched to a "prairie schooner," was in Lexington again Wednesday on his third trip from coast to coast. He is traveling this time in a more modern conveyance, a twin-six Pathfinder car with a "schooner" top. Meeker left Washington, May 6, and is making his way leisurely to the Pacific Coast, stopping at all of the towns on the way selling literature and lecturing on the importance of preserving the identity of the old trails. Through the efforts of Mr. Meeker, a bill has been introduced in the senate and house of representatives providing for a preliminary survey of the old trails with a view of making a national highway from coast to coast.

Mr. Meeker was accompanied by E. C. Grot, a student in the University of Illinois.

Brought Here for Burial.

The body of Mrs. Ed Rodeigros, who died in Nebraska Tuesday was brought to Lexington yesterday and was taken to the Winkler Undertaking Parlor. Mrs. Rodeigros before her marriage was Mrs. Bess Bullard, daughter of Mrs. Isaac Summers, who died in Kansas City about a year ago.

The deceased was born in this city and was 40 years old. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Joy Wilmes of Kansas City and Miss Mildred Bullard of Buckner, and two brothers, Clyde Summers of Kansas City and Elbert Summers of this city.

Charles Weber Erecting New Store Building.

Charles Weber, the Main street jeweler, has let the contract to Peter Hale for the erection of a one-story brick building adjoining his present location on the east. The new building will cost about \$3,500, and when completed will add considerably to the appearance of "Dutch" row.



To the Democrats of Lafayette County:

For more than THIRTY YEARS the Democrats of Howard County have been voting for the favorite sons of other counties for Congressman in this District. We furnish the second largest Democratic majority of any county in the District. Am I asking too much for my county when I ask that we be accorded the honor of naming the man once in THIRTY-TWO YEARS?

The district has been GOOD to Mr. Hamlin. Besides giving him the honor for TWELVE YEARS we have enabled him to draw from the Government, besides his expenses in going to and returning from Washington, the snug sum of EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$85,000.00) DOLLARS.

When Mr. Hamlin was nominated he defeated Judge Cooney of Saline County who had held the office only six years. At that time Mr. Hamlin contended that six years was long enough for one man to hold the office and long enough for one county to have the honor of furnishing the Congressman. He has now held the office just twice as long as Judge Cooney did and if his argument was good then IT SURELY OUGHT TO BE GOOD NOW. But we are now told by Mr. Hamlin that it would be poor business to take up a new and inexperienced man and that it does not pay to swap horses in mid-stream. It is true that he was inexperienced when he was elected, the only offices he had ever held being city attorney of Bolivar for two years and a member of the school board of Springfield for six years. The only offices I have ever held have been Prosecuting Attorney of my county for six years and a member of the Missouri Senate for four years, but in the latter office we amend, repeal, and make laws. We work under the same rules in Jefferson as we do in Washington and if we know how it is done in one place we ought to know how it is done in the other. So you see I am not "a new and inexperienced man" as my friend would have you believe, but have had far more experience in legislative matters than he had at the time he offered himself as a competent and qualified man for this same position. I invite a comparison of my record in Jefferson City with his in Washington as to what we each accomplished in the respective legislative halls.

Now as to changing horses in mid-stream. There is never any risk in changing horses in the middle of the stream WHERE YOU KNOW BOTH HORSES.

We now hear the argument advanced from certain quarters that a Congressman cannot get started in six terms, TWELVE YEARS, and this may be true in so far as it concerns certain Congressmen, but as a general proposition I do not believe it to be true in Congress or elsewhere, and neither do you.

The position now taken by these gentleman simply means a life tenure in office. The chief distinction between an autocratic and democratic government is ROTATION IN OFFICE, and is one of the cardinal principles of the Democratic party. Whenever a man, I care not who he is, gets the idea into his head that you cannot get along without him, IT IS THEN TIME TO TRY AND SEE WHETHER YOU CAN GET ALONG WITHOUT HIM. We have something like 24,000 Democrats in this District and we surely have more than the one individual who can capably represent us in Congress.

I feel that we are entitled to this honor this time and want you to help me. While I am busy in the other counties, won't you look after my interests in your county? Every vote will count. Your active support and influence would, I assure you, be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
SAM C. MAJOR.

Miss Thresa O'Brien who has been visiting at the home of Judge T. A. Walker left Saturday for her home in Jackson, Miss. Miss Inez Walker accompanied her as far as Kansas City.

For Sale.
Two Duroc Jersey Boars.
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7-14-1mo. Geo. Thoman.

Miss Roxie Crum went to Kansas City Wednesday for a visit.

A CIRCUS IS COMING.

August 10th Robinson's Circus Will Unload in Lexington.

William J. Lester, advance advertising man for Robinson's circus, was in Lexington Friday making arrangements for this show to light in Lexington, Thursday, August 10, 1916. The show will spread its canvass in Taubman's pasture, right near town, so that all may attend without a long hot walk.

The merits of this circus are unknown in these parts, yet its a circus, so let's all go and be convinced of its merits or demerits.

Dr. Ryland Receives Painful Injury.

Saturday while in the act of cranking his Ford car, Dr. C. T. Ryland was painfully injured. One bone just above the wrist of the right arm was broken and the other dislocated at the wrist joint. He was attended by Drs. Fredendall and Chalkley.

Dr. Ryland recently had some changes made on his car—a new body and detachable rims, and it is thought that the car took this means of showing its resentment.

Fred Wilnot Building Home.

Fred Wilnot, the enterprising proprietor of the Pin-Ton Grocery, has let the contract for a two-story brick and stucco residence on his lot on East Main Street. The work of excavating commenced Tuesday morning. It will contain eight rooms with basement, and be modern throughout.

The Lexington Brick Company and Peter Hale have the contract.

Fire on Ninth Street.

Saturday night the small brick building on the rear of the Morrison-Wentworth Bank lot adjoining the alley, caught fire and was totally destroyed. The building was used as a garage and it is thought that the fire was caused by the explosion of gasoline. The property belongs to Judge Richard H. Feld.

Council Proceedings.

The city council met Tuesday night with Mayor Minor presiding. The vote of the local option election last Saturday was checked up and made official.

The council directed the city clerk to advertise for bids for construct a flush tank at the dead end of the sewer on Seventeenth street.

WETS WIN FIRST BLOOD.

Lexington Remains Wet By a Majority of 296. Drys Elated Over First Showing.

The election Saturday to determine whether or not intoxicating liquor should be sold in Lexington, resulted in a verdict for the wets by a majority of 296. This being the first attempt to put Lexington in the dry column, the result was hard to forecast. Only a few of the most optimistic could see a victory for the drys, and few expected that the vote would be as close as it was. The colored folks with approximately 400 votes won the election for the wets as less than 10% of them voted dry. This vote anywhere equally divided would have given the verdict to the drys.

The vote by wards:

1st. Ward.	
Dry	52
Wet	173
2nd. Ward.	
Dry	85
Wet	295
3rd. Ward.	
Dry	232
Wet	164
4th. Ward.	
Dry	134
Wet	167
Total	1302
Total wet vote	799
Total dry vote	503
Wet Majority	296
Wet majority 1st. ward	121
Wet majority 2nd. ward	210
Wet majority 4th. ward	33
Dry majority 3rd. ward	68

Block "42" will remain. Anybody proud of it?

The women of Lexington are better acquainted and hereafter will wield a mighty influence for good in the city's affairs.

Death of A Child.

Katheryne, the fifteen months' old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hollingsworth died Tuesday at the home of her parents near the McGrew mines. Her death was due to typhoid fever. The funeral was held from the home Wednesday morning.

H. W. McNeel of Odessa arrived Monday to assist in the inventory of the Stier Clothing Co.'s stock occasioned by the death of the senior partner, George H. Stier.

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